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SUBJECT: Administrative Change to Subchapters in Chapter 9

In order to minimize confusion and allow for easier navigation of regulations, the Department of Education is recodifying the subchapters of Chapter 9 of the Administrative Code. The new subchapters are as follows:

- *N.J.A.C.* 6A:9 PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS
- *N.J.A.C.* 6A:9A NEW JERSEY EDUCATOR PREPARATION PROGRAMS
- *N.J.A.C.* 6A:9B STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS AND CERTIFICATION
- *N.J.A.C.* 6A:9C PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR TEACHING STAFF MEMBERS AND SCHOOL LEADERS

This administrative change creates subchapters that are distinct to the areas of professional standards, teacher preparation, certification, and professional development. Previously, members of the public have been confused about proposed rule changes to one section of Chapter 9, which covers many different topics. For instance, when the Department proposed changes to *N.J.A.C.* 6A:9-10 regarding requirements for teacher certification and preparation programs, we received many comments about other sections that were not included in the proposal. Most importantly, the creation of four distinct subchapters will allow educators to more quickly find information about each topic rather than have to search under the broad title, "Professional Licensure and Standards."

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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